

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend page 11, paragraph 0032 as follows:

Head end switch ~~[[120]]~~ 128 transmits associated stream 114 through network 104. Head end switch 128 may be coupled to network 104 via link 130. Link 130 may be implemented using known structures and protocols. For example, link 130 may be implemented as a synchronous optical network ("SONET") ring.